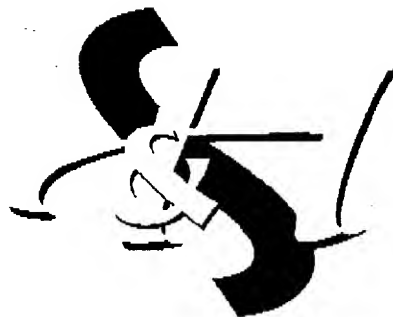


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1. Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a) dated July 16, 2004 (2 pages); and
2. Amendment AF in response to final office action mailed 05/18/2004 (9 pages).

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

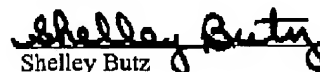
3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

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4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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Very respectfully,



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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the final Examiner's Action mailed 05/18/2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 08/18/2004, the above-identified patent application is amended a second time as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.